

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1162

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Tamara Belew, 2008  
Valedictorian of Richland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Belew is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Richland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Belew has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Tamara has earned an exemplary 4.43 grade point average while participating in a number of extracurricular activities, including the Color Guard, the Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA), DECA, the History Club, the Leo Club, the First Farmers and Merchants Bank Advisory Program, Gold Excel, Future Business Leaders of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Beta Club, Drama, the French Club, Spanish Club, Girls' State, National Honor Roll, Calculus Club, and the Hillside Hospital Junior Volunteer Program; and

WHEREAS, her academic prowess has been duly recognized with her receipt of many awards and accolades, such as the Biology Award, Geography Award, Algebra II Award, Geometry Award, Economics Award, and the Spanish Award, and her selection as a Coca-Cola Scholars semi-finalist and a member of the HOSA Creative Problem Solving Team, which placed second in the national competition and first in the state and regional competitions; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Belew's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Belew's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Tracy and Paul Shrader and Randy Belew, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Tamara Belew's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2008 Richland High School Valedictorian, Tamara Belew, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.